REMARKS

Entry of this amendment, reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds of rejection are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

It is requested in the Office Action that the application have its titled amended to one that is more descriptive of the claims. Applicants have changed the title of the Invention to: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR COMBINING MUTUALLY REALTED OBJECTS INTO A TRANSPORT ENTITY, which more clearly describes the claimed subject matter.

Claims 1-11 are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-11 of copending Application serial 09/090,037. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this ground of provisional rejection, particularly in light of the attached amendments to claims 1, 4-7, 10 and 11 with the recitation that the combining of the mutually related objects that relate to an application occur at a given time. New Claim 12 recites that the given time is a same time. Support is found for the above changes at least at page 6, lines 2-6.

Claims 1, 4-7, 10 and 11 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over Kuwabara et al. (U.S. 5,909,439, hereafter "Kuwabara"). Applicants respectfully traverse this ground of rejection.

Applicants have studied Kuwabara very carefully, and it is respectfully submitted that none of the cited passages disclose or suggest anything with regard to the size of each of the mutually related objects, using the indication of size to determine the position

of each object in the transport entity. Kuwabara does not disclose anything about size vis a vis relative position (for example, absolute position) and are silent with regard to size being used to determine the position of each object in the transport entity. At best, the cited passages in columns 33 and 34 of Kuwabara only disclose that the satellite signal receiving terminal is apportioned beforehand with its own region identifier. The region identifier <u>is not</u> an indication of the size of each of the mutually related objects within the transport entity so as to determine the position of each object in the transport entity according to size. The fact that Kuwabara discloses that the satellite is required "to be apportioned" (col. 34, lines 1-3) fails to disclose or suggest anything regard size of each mutual object versus their position in the transport entity.

In addition, Kuwabara fails to disclose that mutually related objects having a given time are combined into the transport entity in order to prevent that values determined at different times from being combined in a common transport entity, causing the problems such as those disclosed at page 1, lines 22-28, including not knowing whether mutually related objects are still consistent with other objects and leading to, for example, stock prices established at different times to be displayed together as if they were established at the same time (please also see specification, page 6, lines 3-5).

It is respectfully submitted that Kuwabara is also completely silent with regard to the recitation of a "given time" in the above paragraph. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this ground of rejection are respectfully requested.

Applicants respectfully request that if anything less than a Notice of Allowance is sent in response to this Office Action, then said response please point out with particularity exactly what words used by Kuwabara allegedly disclose the recitations of

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the claimed invention. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this ground of rejection are respectfully requested.

For all the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all the present claims are patentable in view of the cited references. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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